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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

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Goldschmidt Chemical Corp.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Goldschmidt Chemical Corp. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of silicone acrylate resins produced by addition of  $\omega$ -hydroxyalkenes and/or propenyloxy-2,3-dihydroxypropane, mono- or diester with acrylic acid, acetic acid or other saturated monocarboxylic acid, to dimethyl polysiloxane, methylhydrogen polysiloxane, or dimethyl-methylhydrogen polysiloxane as coatings or components of coatings on polymers and on paper and paperboard intended for contact with food. The following optional adjuvants may also be required in the manufacture of silicone acrylate resins: 2-hydroxy-2-methyl-1-phenyl-1-propanone and/or oligomeric 2-hydroxy-2-methyl-1-[4-(1-methylvinyl)phenyl]-1-propanone.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5)), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 9B4658) has been filed by Goldschmidt Chemical Corp., 914 East Randolph Rd., Hopewell, The petition proposes both to amend the food additive 23860. regulations in part 177 (21 CFR part 177) by adding a new section and to amend § 176.170 Components of paper and paperboard in contact with aqueous and fatty foods (21 CFR 176.170) to provide for the safe use of silicone acrylate resins produced by addition of ω-hydroxyalkenes and/or propenyloxy-2,3-dihydroxypropane, mono- or diester with acrylic acid, acetic acid or other saturated monocarboxylic acid, to dimethyl polysiloxane, methylhydrogen polysiloxane, or dimethyl-methylhydrogen polysiloxane as coatings or components of coatings on polymers and on paper and paperboard intended for contact with food. following optional adjuvants may also be required in the manufacture of silicone acrylate resins: 2-hydroxy-2-methyl-1phenyl-1-propanone and/or oligomeric 2-hydroxy-2-methyl-1-[4-(1methylvinyl)phenyl]-1-propanone.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(i) that this action is of the type that does not individually or cumulatively

have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

Dated: June 2, 1999 .

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